

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

November 12, 2008

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in scheduled session with Commissioner Joe Corsiglia and Commissioner Rita Bernhard, together with Spencer Parsons, Assistant County Counsel and Jan Greenhalgh, Board Secretary. Commissioner Hyde was not present.

Commissioner Corsiglia called the meeting to order and led the flag salute.

MINUTES:

Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Corsiglia seconded to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2008 Board meeting and November 5, 2008 Staff meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Tammy Maygra, 34331 Cannan Road, Deer Island: She understands there is a hearing tomorrow with DOGAMI and questions what they have done and what they will do if surface mining is turned over to them. Spencer explained that the hearing is being put on by DOGAMI, and the county has no involvement in it. Todd stated that the hearing is to consider amendments to the state statute should the legislative changes take place. It will be a public meeting and Tammy is welcome to attend. The contract between the County and DOGAMI would not be effected by the legislative changes. Tammy then asked who would be enforcing surface mining complaints if DOGAMI were to take over. Spencer stated that the Surface Mining Administrator, which is DOGAMI, would make a report, but the county would be the agency to conduct enforcement.

Wayne Mayo, St. Helens: He has seen Commissioner Bernhard on TV and read her comments in the newspapers. The main concern seems to be how to pay for Measure 5-190 just voted in by the public. He feels that this would be a great use of the depletion fees collected by the County. He went over the amount the county currently collects and feels it should be increased. This is a cash cow for the county and doesn't believe that increasing the fees would shut down the aggregate companies. Commissioner Corsiglia suggested Wayne draft something up and he will

take a look at it.

Tammy Maygra wanted to state that the depletion fees go for the roads. She agrees it would be a huge resource to the county and could be better if the fees were increased.

HEARING: TIM BERO ZONE CHANGE:

This is the time set for the public hearing, "In the Matter of the Application of Tim and Michelle Bero for a Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment and Zone Change for Two Parcels Directly North and West of the Vernonia Airport".

Commissioner Hyde was in a serious auto accident last week and unable to attend this meeting. He wants to be able to fully participate in this hearing, so the Board has made a decision to move this hearing to Monday evening, December 1, 2008 at the Scout Cabin in Vernonia. Notice will be republished and mailed.

With that, Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Corsiglia seconded to carry over this hearing to Monday, December 1, 2008 at or after 7:00 pm, the Scout Cabin in Vernonia, Oregon. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Corsiglia read the consent agenda in full. With no changes/additions, Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Corsiglia seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- (A) Ratify the Select-to-Pay for 11/12/08.
- (B) Cancel the Wednesday, November 19, 2008 Board meeting for AOC Conference.
- (C) Reappoint Geneva Shadley to the Northwest Oregon Housing Authority for a five year term.

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (D) Personal Services Contract with the St. Helens School District.
- (E) Amendment #2 to the Oregon Commission on Children & Families 2007-2009

Intergovernmental Agreement 0709COLU.

- (F) Amendment #46 to the 2007-2009 Intergovernmental Agreement #119925 with DHS and authorize the Chair to sign.

The motion carried unanimously.

UASI CONFERENCE:

Vicki Harguth, EOC Director informed the Board that, every year, Homeland Security holds an annual conference. This is the 5 year anniversary of Homeland Security and the leadership has asked those interested to attend this conference in Washington, DC. Lorraine Churchill, in the EOC office, is funded by UASI and the costs for this conference would be 100% covered by UASI. Therefore, Vicki is requesting approval to send Lorraine to this conference. Commissioner Corsiglia asked Vicki if there are any concerns with funding due to the changes in the administrative structure in DC. Vicki stated that she has already received information that UASI funding is stable at this point and will actually be increasing. Although the federal government is looking at requiring some matching funds in the future, 2009 will continue to be 100% funded.

After discussion, Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Corsiglia seconded to approve the request to allow Lorraine Churchill to attend the UASI conference in Washington, DC. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:

Not present

COMMISSIONER CORSIGLIA COMMENTS:

No comments.

COMMISSIONER BERNHARD COMMENTS:

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Commissioner Bernhard attended the NOHA and NWACT meetings in Astoria and Seaside last week. They talked about funding for projects already in the planing stages and the new administration. They are also looking at a tri-county approach for a housing project.

On Monday she attended a very nice breakfast for the veterans at the Scappoose High School. It was very well attended. She also went to other veterans events in Scappoose and at Avamere. All very nice.

She attended the funeral service for Mike Johnson, who was a Scappoose Police officer for many years.

She also attended the Fair Board meeting and the 4-H dessert and awards ceremony.

There was no Executive Session held.

With nothing further coming before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 12th day of November, 2008.

NOTE: A tape of this meeting is available for purchase by the public or interested parties.

*BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON*

By: *Not Present*

Anthony Hyde, Chair

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By: _____

Joe Corsiglia, Commissioner

Recording Secretary:

By: _____

By: _____

Rita Bernhard, Commissioner

Jan Greenhalgh